

The first year I went on REACH was the summer I was entering 8th grade. We went to Oliver Springs, Tennessee where I was placed on a work crew with some kids from our church and others from different churches. Our crew was assigned to paint the entire inside of the house, clean and paint the



front deck and some yard work. We were all given paint and brushes and told you have a week to complete the jobs. I was scared, confused and worried we would not be able to finish all of this in one week! We worked hard the entire week and not only did we finish our house before the week was over, we got to help out another crew with their house! This shows that you really have to put your faith and trust in God.

Now I have been on three Reach Mission Trips and I have learned how to replace floors, clean gutters, paint (its a lot harder than it sounds), pour cement, use a drill, a saw and even a jack hammer to bust up cement and so much more! Every year I go, I fall more in love with serving others and can't wait for next year!!! A quote that comforts me when I am given a task that I am not sure how to complete is, "God does not call the qualified, he qualifies the called."

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